

## EXPLAINS POSITION.

The President Makes Clear His Attitude on Appointments of Negroes.

## ABILITY, NOT COLOR, CONSIDERED

Says the Door of Hope and Opportunity Shall Not Be Shut Upon Any Worthy Man Purely Upon the Grounds of Race or Color.

Washington, Nov. 28.—The president has sent the following communication to a citizen of Charleston, S. C.:

White House, Washington, Nov. 26, 1902.

My Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your letter of Nov. 19 and of one from Mr. [redacted], under date of Nov. 21, in reference to the appointment of Dr. Crum as collector of the port of Charleston. In your letter you make certain specific charges against Dr. Crum, tending to show his unfitness in several respects for the office sought. These charges are entitled to the utmost consideration from me and I shall go over them carefully before taking any action. After making these charges you add as a further reason for opposition to him that he is a colored man, and after reciting the misdeeds that followed carpet-bag rule and negro domination in South Carolina, you say that "We have sworn never again to submit to the rule of the African, and such an appointment as that of Dr. Crum to any such office forces us to protest unanimously against this insult to the white blood," and you add that you understand me to say that I would never force a negro on such a community as yours. Mr. [redacted] puts the objection of color first, saying:

Concerned and Pained.

"First, he is a colored man, and that of itself ought to bar him from the office." In view of these last statements I think I ought to make clear to you why I am concerned and pained by your making them and what my attitude is as regards all such appointments: How any one could have gained the idea that I had said I would not appoint reputable and upright colored men to office when objection was made wholly to them on account of their color, I confess I am wholly unable to understand. At the time of my visit to Charleston last spring I had made and since that time I have made a number of such appointments from several states in which there is a considerable colored population. For example, I made one such appointment in Mississippi and another in Alabama, shortly before my visit to Charleston. I had at that time appointed two colored men as judicial magistrates in the District of Columbia. I have recently announced another such appointment for New Orleans and have just made one from Pennsylvania. The great majority of my appointments in every state have been of white men. North and south alike it has been my sedulous endeavor to appoint only men of high character and good capacity, whether white or black. But it has been my consistent policy in every state where their numbers warranted it to recognize colored men of good repute and standing in making appointments to office. These appointments of colored men have in no state made more than a small proportion of the total number of appointments. I am unable to see how I can legitimately be asked to make an exception for South Carolina. In South Carolina, to the four most important positions in the state, I have appointed three men and continued in office a fourth, all of them white men—three of them originally gold Democrats—two of them, as I am informed, the sons of Confederate soldiers. I have been informed by the citizens of Charleston whom I have met that these four men represent a high grade of public service.

Will Not Appoint Unfit Men.

I do not intend to appoint any unfit man to office. So far as I legitimately can I shall always endeavor to pay regard to the wishes and feelings of the people of each locality, but I cannot consent to take the position that the door of hope—the door of opportunity—is to be shut upon any man, no matter how worthy, purely upon the grounds of race or color. Such an attitude would, according to my convictions, be fundamentally wrong. If, as you hold, the great bulk of the colored people are not yet fit in point of character and influence to hold such positions, it seems to me that it is worth while putting a premium upon the effort among them to achieve the character and standing which will fit them.

The question of "negro domination" does not enter into the matter at all. It might as well be answered that when I was governor of New York I sought to bring about negro domination in that state because I appointed two colored men of good

character and standing to responsible positions—one of them to a position paying a salary twice as large as that paid in the office now under consideration—one of them as a director of the Buffalo exposition. The question raised by you and Mr. [redacted] is simply whether it is to be declared that under no circumstances shall any man of color, no matter how upright and honest, no matter how good a citizen, no matter how fair in his dealings with all his fellow men, be permitted to hold any office under our government. I certainly cannot assume such an attitude, and you must permit me to say that in my view it is an attitude no man should assume, whether he looks at it from the standpoint of the true interest of the white man of the south or of the colored men of the south, notwithstanding the position of the Union. It seems to me that it is a good thing from every standpoint to let the colored man know that if he shows in marked degree the qualities of good citizenship—the qualities which in a white man we feel are entitled to reward—then he will not be cut off from all hope of similar reward.

Without any regard as to what my decision may be on the merits of this particular applicant for this particular place, I feel that I ought to let you know clearly my attitude on the far broader question raised by you and Mr. [redacted], an attitude from which I have not varied during my term of office.

Faithfully yours,  
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.  
Hon. [redacted], Charleston, S. C.

## PRISONER IN FREIGHT CAR.

Boy Giving Connellsville as Home Has Tough Experience.

A dispatch from Reading, Pa., says: "Almost starved and so weak that he could scarcely walk, Samuel Johnston of Connellsville was found in a box car in this city Tuesday. He had entered the car at his home last Thursday and soon after the door was closed and locked.

"I knew then I was a prisoner," said Johnston, "but I wanted to reach by F. H. Clemens & Co. at their work Harrisburg and kept quiet. Along about Friday I got hungry and I thought I would burn up from thirst. I tried to break open the door, but could not. I then felt that my strength was failing and there was no use in thumping on the side of the door while the train was running."

"He was discovered by several railroad hands in the Reading yard whose attention was attracted by a noise inside the car. The door was opened and he was liberated. He could scarcely talk above a whisper and it was some moments before he could stand on his feet. He was well dressed and had some money. He was profuse in his thanks to his rescuers, and said: 'I didn't know where the car was going but I prayed that it would soon be opened. I prayed all night and morning for deliverance, and at last it came.'

## SHE WAS REMEMBERED.

Little Sufferer at the Hospital Who Enjoyed Thanksgiving Day.

Little Annie Romano, the Italian girl who had a leg cut off by a Pennsylvania train at Leisenring No. 1 some days ago, was the happiest patient at the Cottage State Hospital Thanksgiving Day. In the days that followed her arrival at the hospital, days of extreme pain and suffering, she cried and cried. One day she asked for a doll, and the ladies of the W. C. T. U. got her one. Then she hugged the doll and was quiet. When the children made their donations at the schools Wednesday, there was many a wee package of candy or fruit specially sent for "Little Annie," whose story is well known to the children.

The money donation in the four schools of town amounted to about \$20. This was given to the hospital to purchase needed supplies. The patients had a fine turkey dinner Thursday, and all were satisfied.

## A \$1,000,000 Coal Deal.

By a deed consummated at Indiana this week one of the largest blocks of untouched Pittsburgh coal in Western Pennsylvania changed hands for a consideration approximating \$1,200,000. The transfer of coal is but a preliminary to the formation of a mining company, with a capital of \$2,000,000, which will begin in the spring to develop the field, and the construction of a new railroad by the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh. The coal land lies in Young and Conemaugh townships Indiana county, and was purchased last year by M. C. Watson for William Hoggott of Uniontown and James White of Irwin. The 6,000 were bought at about \$100 an acre.

## Brakeman Killed.

William Winters, a railroad brakeman, was killed by a train at South Fork, Pa.

## DEATH IN DYNAMITE.

Tragic Accidents Mingle With Joy of Glad Thanksgiving Day.

## TWO LIVES ARE SNUFFED OUT.

Abner Lynn Killed by Blind Horses at Vanderbilt—Italian's Leg Blown Into Space—Another Victim Lingers at the Hospital.

Death linked in dynamite on the double tracking operation of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad Thanksgiving Day. What could be found of the body of Demetrio Bartolacci await burial at Sims' morgue on Pittsburg street. With his skull crushed and the spinous driven deep into his brain, Carmen Buchin lingers in a ward of the Cottage State Hospital. His death is expected at any time.

Bartolacci had been in the employ of F. H. Clemens & Co. for only a short time. Previous to his coming to America he was a policeman in Naples, Italy, where he leaves a wife and two children. A blast had been set and the batteries failed to explode it. The unfortunate Italian stooped over to examine the charge when it exploded. One leg and one arm were torn off and buried away; the head was split through and through; the body badly burned and mangled. The leg has not been found, although a careful search of the scene of the terrible accident has been made. Bartolacci will be buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery this afternoon.

Carmen Buchin was also employed by F. H. Clemens & Co. at their work near Markleton on the Connellsville Division. A rock, hurled from a terrible blast, struck him on the head. The skull is shattered; the splinters of bone driven into the brain. An operation was performed but the man will die.

Vanderbilt, Nov. 28.—Abner Lynn, an aged farmer of Franklin township, was instantly killed about one and one-half miles from Vanderbilt Tues-

day evening, the result of his driving

of a team of horses and wagon over the end of a bridge. Mr. Lynn, who was 73 years old, was returning alone about 6:30 o'clock in the evening from a marketing trip to Dawson and in the darkness he is supposed to have driven

the end of the bridge and was conse-

quently plunged to his death.

Samuel Strickler, who lives near the scene

of the accident, was aroused by the

continuous barking of his dogs and

upon going to the door was further

alarmed by hearing the groans and

struggles of the horses. Hastily pro-

ceeding a light he hurried to the spot

being guided by the noise the horses

were making in their blind struggle

to free themselves. There he found

Mr. Lynn, whom he did not recognize

lying in the creek, his body half sub-

merged in water with one horse across

him and the other on top of it. Being

unable to render assistance himself

he immediately raised the alarm

among his neighbors and a crowd of

men and boys were speedily sum-

moned. The wagon and horses were

joined in such a shape that it took

the combined efforts of eight men

working half the night to extricate the

body from the debris. Mr. Lynn was

well known throughout the county,

and his sudden death will be sadly re-

ceived by his many friends and rela-

tives. He is survived by four sons

and daughter.

William Nicholson, a barber of this

place, walked into the pool room of

William Johnston here this morning

and shot four times at Johnston. None

of the shots took effect. Nicholson

was arrested and taken to Dawson

where he was placed in the lockup.

It is thought he is crazy. He and

Johnston never had any quarrel.

Nicholson has but one leg. He has a

wife and family here.

## Death of Sheriff-Elect.

James M. Fahnestock, who was elected Sheriff of Allegheny county on the Citizens ticket on November 4th, died Tuesday at Mt. Clemens, Mich., from the effect of typhoid pneumonia. His successor will be appointed by Governor Stone.

## Slave Robbed of \$800.

A Slavey coke worker of Enterprise was robbed of \$800 on Thursday. Five negroes broke into his home and took his savings of years.

## FIRE AT DUNBAR.

Connellsville Department Called at Midnight.

Dunbar, Nov. 28.—This town was visited by another fire last night. About midnight fire was discovered in the store of A. C. Fireman between the Baltimore & Ohio and Pennsylvania tracks. The building is a total loss, likewise the goods of A. C. Fireman. They are valued at \$1,000 and were insured for 75 per cent of their value. Col. J. M. Reid of Connellsville owned the building which

## DUE IS APPOINTED

Superintendent of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad's Pittsburg Division.

## IS EFFECTIVE DECEMBER FIRST.

Appointee Has a Thorough Knowledge of the System and is a Favorite With the Employees—Wabash's Greene County Projects.

It was officially announced Wednesday that Bruce W. Duer was appointed Superintendent of the Baltimore & Ohio Pittsburg Division. The appointment has been expected almost since the resignation of former Superintendent S. P. Hutchinson was announced.

The appointment gives universal satisfaction among the employees. Bruce W. Duer has been with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company for years. He has seen much service as a train dispatcher, and has had years of experience born of direct operations, including transportation matters. Though a young man he knows the Baltimore & Ohio from end to end. And this, not by means of information picked up in a superficial manner, but by virtue of actual experience born of contact with real conditions encountered in the service.

He is, therefore, above all else, a practical man. This is imperatively needed in this district. The operation of the Pittsburg Division of the Baltimore & Ohio, by railroad men, is regarded as the most difficult problem afforded by Pittsburg railroads. That the chief officials have the utmost confidence in Mr. Duer's ability goes without saying.

Mr. Duer first became known to Pittsburg folk during the regime of William Gibson, when the latter was General Superintendent of the Pittsburg system, during the management of Messrs. Cowan and Murray. He had previously seen much service with the company at the Baltimore headquarters and his coming with Mr. Gibson in the capacity of Chief Clerk, was largely because of his practical knowledge of railroad affairs. Subsequently, when Mr. Gibson left Pittsburg to become General Superintendent of transportation, vice D. F. Maroney, transferred to Pittsburg. Mr. Duer was returned to Baltimore, taking up the reins of Chief Clerk in the transportation department. He remained in that capacity until it became necessary to create a Pittsburg office with full jurisdiction in transportation matters. In casting about for a proper man to place in charge, Mr. Duer was selected. This was about two months ago. This last recognition of his abilities is not only gratifying because of it being a just reward of merit, but it marks a step in a career that has a bright future.

The step from one of the departments to the position of Superintendent in charge of a division like the Pittsburg Division of the Baltimore & Ohio is not easy, but, once made, bids fair to open the way for some of the best births in the railway world. In proof of this is the advancement of M. B. Cutler, Mr. Hutchinson and several others. Mr. Duer's appointment is effective December 1st. The residents of Greene and Washington counties are growing enthusiastic over the Wabash projects. Meetings have been held at various places, notably at Canonsburg, and steps have been taken looking toward the procuring of rights of way for the Gould line. Dr. J. W. McKay of Waynesburg is given more credit than any other one man for getting the plans in their present advanced stage. The proposition is this: If the people will furnish the Wabash with free rights of way the line will be built. If not, it falls through. When the matter was thus presented to Waynesburg some time ago, the residents of Greene county went to work with a will, and in 60 days time nine-tenths of the rights of way from Washington to the Monongahela river were signed free of any cost. Only about 5 per cent of the property owners refused to sign. Dr. McKay is quoted as being in position to say authoritatively that if free rights of way are secured for the company from Bishop to Tylersdale the road will be built by this route. If free rights of way are not secured, the road will be built from Woodrow to Washington, instead of from Bishop. In that event Canonsburg would not be on the Wabash line. The rights of way have already been secured via the Woodrow and Greene route.

## MAIL CARRIER STRICKEN.

Heavy Mail Sack Causes Paralysis of I. D. Kamerer's Left Side.

I. D. Kamerer, a United States mail carrier of the Connellsville office, was stricken with paralysis Thursday morning a heavy mail sack with the strap over his shoulder caused the stroke. The entire left side of his body is affected. The muscles of his mouth and jaw are drawn tight and serious results are feared. Today he can notice a prickling sensation in the affected parts, which is thought to be an encouraging symptom. His illness will confine him to his home in Gibson, however, for an indefinite time.

## Swallow-Newcomer.

Miss Bessie Newcomer of near New Haven and George Swallow of Connellsville were married Thursday evening at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Sarah King, Highland avenue. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. H. Gladden of the Methodist Protestant Church. After the wedding a Thanksgiving supper was served to quite a number of guests from town, Pittsburg and other points, who were present. The couple received many pretty presents. They will make their home in Connellsville.

## New Haven Beat Latrobe.

The New Haven High School team defeated a team from Latrobe yesterday afternoon five to nothing. The elevens were very evenly matched. The score, a touchdown, was made about a minute before time was called in the last half. There was a good crowd present, but the spectators at times made it almost impossible for the teams to play. There was quite a little money changed hands on the result. Odds were offered on Latrobe.

## Have Not Sold Out.

Pendleton & Reid have not sold their insurance business to the Union Securities Company. An option was secured on the agency by an individual and later assigned to the Securities company. This option expired, however, without being taken up.

## Successful Match.

The shooting match held by A. C. Wilkerson and John Pierce in Trump Hill, South Side, Thursday afternoon was a big success. Only two turkeys were left out of the 75 turkeys and 100 chickens that were put up for the skill of riflemen.

## WENT DOWN IN GALE.

The Steamer Sylvanus J. Springs Leak Off Port Burwell, Ont.

## ENTIRE CREW SUPPOSED LOST.

When Last Seen the Macy Was La  
boring Heavily in the Sea and Mak-  
ing for Shelter—Carried a Crew of  
About Eighteen—Partial List.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 28.—In a furyous southwest gale on Lake Erie Sunday night the steamer Sylvanus J. Macy sprung a leak off Port Burwell, Ont., and plunged to the bottom, probably carrying her entire crew with her. The barge Mabel Wilson, which was being towed by the Macy, broke away from the steamer in the darkness and succeeded in sailing up the lake to Amherstburg, where she arrived yesterday afternoon.

The first news of the disaster was reported by Captain J. J. Auterson of the steamer Albright, which passed up the river early yesterday morning. She reported having passed through wreckage Wednesday three miles southwest of Longpoint, consisting of parts of the cabin, life preservers and doors of some vessel. The cabin was painted white, but there were no distinguishing marks to tell what vessel it was from. The arrival of the Wilson, however, leaves no doubt but that the wreckage is from the Macy, as the last seen of that steamer was in the vicinity.

Tow Line Thrown Off. The Macy with the Wilson in tow left Buffalo last Saturday with a cargo of coal. When half way up Lake Erie the gale was encountered and when abreast of Port Burwell the tow line of the barge was thrown off by the crew of the Macy, leaving the schooner to shift for herself. When last seen by the crew of the Wilson the Macy was laboring heavily in the sea and was evidently making for shelter. If the crew had time to leave their ship before the plunge to the bottom it is not believed the small boats could have lived long in the terrible sea running. That nothing has been heard of them has convinced the owners that all were lost.

Partial List of Crew. The Macy was owned by P. J. Ralph & Co., of Detroit, and was insured for \$16,500. She was one of the older type of wooden steamers. She registered 752 tons. She was built in 1881.

The only names of the crew obtainable at the office of the owners of the Macy are as follows: M. W. Gotham, Richland City, Wis., captain; —Gotham, son of captain, mate; F. Gregory, Detroit, first engineer; George Webb, second engineer; John Nugent, Algoma, wheelman.

As the personnel of the crew of the steamer changes at nearly every port visited a complete list is not available in the office. The crew of the Macy probably numbers 18, as that is the number necessary to man a ship of her size.

## CUBA STATES TERMS.

If Treaty Concedes 25 Per Cent Tariff Cut Palma Will Sign It.

Havana, Nov. 28.—If the Cuban reciprocity treaty, as now proposed, concedes a 25 per cent reduction in tariff duties, there is a strong probability of its acceptance by President Palma and the Cuban senate. Secretary of State Salas and Secretary of the Treasury Monier, the commission on the part of the Cuban government to negotiate the treaty, submitted five objections. Three of these are conceded by the United States. The fourth relates to Porto Rican coffee and, it is thought, can be conceded by the United States without difficulty.

This leaves only the question of the amount of the reduction in the United States tariff. If the proposed 20 per cent is increased to 25 per cent, President Palma likely will send the treaty to the senate for ratification.

## Establishes Bank in Mexico.

Mexico City, Nov. 28.—The International Banking company, of New York city, with branches in Havana and the far east, has taken a long lease on a building here and will open a branch for business. This is a concern in which Messrs. Harriman Gould and other noted American financiers are interested.

## Burglars' Bold Attempt.

Dayton, Pa., Nov. 28.—An unsuccessful attempt was made to rob the First National bank here last night. Reid Marshall, director of the bank, discovered the robbers at work and fired five charges at them from a double-barreled shotgun. The robbers escaped, but left a trail of blood behind them.

## THANKSGIVING DAY ABROAD.

How the American Colonies at Various European Cities Celebrated the Holiday.

London, Nov. 28.—Nearly 500 American citizens and a sprinkling of distinguished English men and women participated in the annual Thanksgiving dinner at the Cecil hotel last night under the auspices of the American society in London.

Toasts in honor of King Edward and President Roosevelt were drunk with equal enthusiasm.

First Celebration at Manila. Manila, Nov. 28.—The first general observance of Thanksgiving day by the Roman Catholic church in the Philippines took place here yesterday. Bishop Grauel issued a letter calling attention to the proclamation of President Roosevelt and Governor Taft and directing the observance of the American holiday. A solemn high mass was held at the cathedral, the apostolic delegate, Archbishop Giulietti, giving his benediction to the worshippers. Governor Taft and many Americans were among those present.

## The Day at Vienna.

Vienna, Nov. 28.—In the absence of the ambassador, Charge d'Affaires Hale and Mrs. Hale gave a Thanksgiving reception at the Hotel Bristol yesterday afternoon. Secretary Evans and Captain Harris, the military attaché, assisting. Nearly 200 Americans attended the function.

## Three Hundred at Berlin.

Berlin, Nov. 28.—Three hundred Americans celebrated Thanksgiving day by a dinner together last night at the Kaiserhof. Retiring Ambassador White, who presided, proposed the healths of the German emperor and President Roosevelt.

## Stars and Stripes at Rome.

Rome, Nov. 28.—Hundreds of stars and stripes hanging from the houses of Americans announced Thanksgiving day to the people here. A special service was held in the American church, Rev. Dr. McCracken, of New York, officiating.

## Quietly Observed at Paris.

Paris, Nov. 28.—Thanksgiving day was quietly observed here by the American colony. Special services were held in several churches.

## NO REVISION OF TARIFF.

## Nor Is There Likely to Be Any Extra Session of Congress.

Washington, Nov. 28.—There will be no tariff revision before the next presidential election. There will be no extra session of congress.

Leaders of the Republican party have conceded to the president legislation to better regulate trusts for the purpose of evading a reopening of the tariff question in the time of the country's greatest prosperity."

Every member of congress who has seen the president this week has attempted to impress upon him the necessity of leaving the tariff alone for the present. He has listened to their views with interest, and following, he considers, a party mandate, will not go beyond a recommendation for a tariff revision.

## Two Linemen Badly Injured.

New Castle, Pa., Nov. 28.—Linemen Harry Hutchinson and Harry Agar, employed by the New Castle Traction company, were badly injured yesterday in a runaway caused by a live wire. The North Highland avenue trolley broke and they were sent to repair it. A part of the live trolley dropped on the team hitched to the repair wagon. The horses ran, upsetting the repair wagon and throwing the linemen out. Hutchinson's back was badly injured, the spine being affected, and Agar had his ankle broken.

## Union Service.

Springfield, O., Nov. 28.—An unusual service was held yesterday in which the members of the First Congregational church joined the Sephardic congregation, the fashionable Jewish church of the city. The union service was the result of a destructive fire, by which the congregational church was burned. Among all the offers of places in which to worship until a building could be erected, that of the Hebrew church, being most satisfactory, was accepted. Both congregations read responsively from the Hebrew prayer book and sang from the Congregational hymnal.

## Repaired and Proceeded.

New York, Nov. 28.—The Allan State Line steamer Sardinian, which sailed yesterday for Glasgow, was obliged to return and anchor at Tompkinsville, S. I., owing to her machinery being deranged. She repaired and proceeded today.

Negro Killed by Street Car. East Liverpool, O., Nov. 28.—Will Ham Scott, colored, 33 years old, was killed by a South Side street car Wednesday night while lying on the track. His home was at Capton.

## NEW WORK FOR GIRLS.

## Fair Sex Quite Popular as Runners of Elevators in Boston.

Boston's latest institution is the elevator girl, says the New York Times. She suddenly has made her appearance in fashionable downtown stores, lunch rooms for women, dressmaking establishments and various philanthropic institutions for women that abound in that city.

It all came about because the elevator man at the Women's Educational and Industrial Union left. Looking around for some one to take his place, one of the managers suggested putting in a girl. The idea delighted the other managers, and it was adopted at once. A young and pretty girl was found, and she is now running the elevator, wearing a neat white cap and apron. A week later a girl appeared in the tailor lined elevator of the Young Women's Christian Association. The idea "caught on," and girls got employment in elevators in other establishments. The elevator girl is fast becoming popular.

## WEATHER FORECAST.

Ohio—Fair today, except snow flurries on northwest lake shore. Tomorrow, fair and warmer; light west winds, becoming fresh south.

Western Pennsylvania—Snow flurries today. Tomorrow, fair and warmer; fresh northwest winds, becoming south.

West Virginia—Fair today, except snow flurries and cold in east portion. Tomorrow, fair and warmer.

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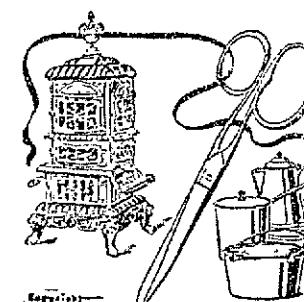
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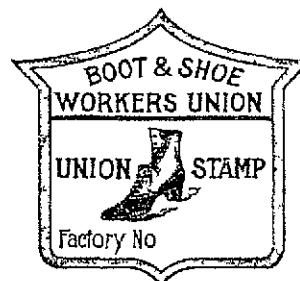
This week we invite your attention to four special shoes made expressly for our stores by Union Factory No. 3. The Union stamp is a guarantee against prison made shoes.

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Box and Satin Calf, double soles, popular shapes in all 'round Business, Dress or Street Shoes

**\$3.00**

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We have the best Box Calf shoe for Men's wear that has ever been offered our trade. Well made and serviceable.

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Velour and Box Calf, Vici Kid and Patent Colt. Bals and Bluchers. Double and Single soles. All late styles.

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### Connellsville Courier

#### DAILY AND WEEKLY

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#### ADVERTISING

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#### THE COLOR LINE

President Roosevelt proposes to measure the men who want to help him in the task of running this government not by color as the North Carolina Republicans suggest, but by capacity, honesty and faithful service. The tone of his declaration arouses a suspicion that he might in particular cases even waive the politics of the officeholder if his skin is a special tie.

In putting his country above his party, the President is only following out the political path he has ever tried and in which he will no doubt continue to walk regardless of any second term ambitions he may have or the threats of his spoilers in connection therewith.

The President may make some noise, but he may to the minds of some people be overstrenuous or over talkative and to others over-honest and over zealous in the faithful discharge of his duties but the public will applaud him for the latter and not criticize too sharply the former.

As to the color line, it was obliterated long years ago after one of the longest and most sanguinary wars of history. What was then settled at such fearful cost cannot now be lightly swept away. Neither can the Republican party abandon the one principle that more than any other is responsible for its existence.

Seven murder trials for December. Court does not indicate any diminution of crime in Fayette county. It is apparent, however, that so long as we have certain classes of population we will have violence in murder. It is one of the penalties of our great industrial operations, and while crime of this sort may not be wholly suppressed much of it may be prevented by prompt and stern punishment.

The spirit of Justice strike swiftly and surely next year.

It is becoming painfully evident that Dunbar needs a fire department of its own.

American Ambassadors seem to be peculiarly persona grata to Latin American rulers and Andy Carnegie and King Edward are said to be quite chummy. It would seem that the friendship of the country is growing more attractive as the nation gets bigger and richer and more powerful.

The freedom of the press in Cuba has resulted in a riot. Perhaps the freedom has degenerated into license.

Thanksgiving Day reached around the globe this year.

The Uniontown News Standard self-appointed Republican Joe of Fayette county, springing from high Olympus which is near the court house, kindly consents that the Courier shall be permitted to be a Republican paper after it has earned its right to be so classified. Thanks awfully!

It is announced that there will be no revision of the tariff this year. The country seems to be getting along excellently well under the existing tariff and it is probably wiser to let well enough alone.

Number please says the Bell telephone operator. Directory, please. Ought to be the answer. Other towns have local directories issued every few months and corrected up to date. When the Bell company has this done, it will be time enough to require subscribers to call by number, at present it is rather premature.

#### LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Local News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town

Colde Miss Jane Irwin entertained a small party of friends last evening.

Miss Jean R. Snyder came from New Castle, Pa., last evening with her father and will make here until tomorrow afternoon.

County Commissioners: Samuel S. Patterson dined at the Yough House today. He was on his way to Bear Run to inspect a bridge.

H. M. Kephart is very seriously ill in his apartment at the Smith Hotel with appendicitis. Today he is kept in complete seclusion. His friends are anxious about his condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Karr, Misses Mary Nickel and Miss Penelope Robinson attended the Thanksgiving reception of the Colonial Club of Scottsdale Thursday evening. The dance was a delightful affair. It was attended by 40 couples including a number of visitors from Connellsville, Greensburg and Mt. Pleasant.

Twenty-nine people were dumped out of a Pittsburgh, Melrose port & Connellsville car of the Uniontown Division at Continental No. 200 yesterday afternoon. In front track of the car became derailed while it was drifting down a grade causing the accident. A number were cut until insured but none of their injuries were serious.

Members of Company D were gratified to learn of the death of Sergeant Hawkins of Company E, Mt. Pleasant who died a few days ago of typhoid fever thought to have been contracted during the tour of duty in the anthracite region. There is a warm feeling of friendship between the two companies and Sergeant Hawkins was often a welcome guest of Company D.

John Divison furnished the tissues for the Thanksgiving dinner at the hospital and George Pilchard furnished the ice cream. Eight families who are in poor circumstances were taken care of by the W. C. T. U. who also distributed the provisions donated by the school children for the patients at the hospital. The Fourth Ward schools contributed \$12, the Second Ward \$24, the Third Ward \$2.22 and New Haven \$4.85. The collection at the union services in the Methodist Protestant Church yesterday amounted to \$15.

#### Notice to Advertisers.

Changes of display advertisements must be in this office by 3 P. M. to insure their insertion the following day.

## A Lucky Deal

And a Great Opportunity!

The entire sample line of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Cloaks of a leading Cleveland house, manufacturers of fine Cloaks, bought at 60c on the dollar. Fully 200 of the most beautiful and latest styles of Coats ever brought to this town.

These Coats are now ready for your inspection.

Sale begins at once.

Good things for those who come at once.

## The Fair,

103 W. Main St., Connellsville.

## FARMERS' INSTITUTES

To Be Held in Fayette County During the Month of December.

## ARE AN EDUCATIONAL FACTOR.

Manager Hantz Wants to See a Fuller Attendance of Ladies—Where the Institutes will be Held.

J. M. Hantz, Manager of the farmer's institutes in Fayette county, has sent out the following notices: Farmers' Institutes in Fayette county will be held as follows: Uniontown, December 6th; New Salem, December 8th and 9th; Smithfield, December 10th and 11th. The first session at Uniontown will begin at 9:30 o'clock; at New Salem at 1:30, and at Smithfield at 1:30. As farmers' institutes are becoming great educational factors all over the country in the education of farmers it is desirable to have these meetings well attended by our farmers. They are your institutes, and will depend largely upon you to make them a success. Write out questions at your homes on topics you desire discussed and bring them with you to have them placed in the question box to be answered by some one.

We would like to see a fuller attendance of the ladies than we have had in the past. Come all and help to make this the most profitable season of farmers' institutes ever held in the county. Last season we had the praise of having the best institutes which the State force had attended in the section over which they traveled. Why not make these institutes still better?

There will be State speakers with us at these meetings who are practical farmers, and can assist us in solving many of the problems that confront us farmers. We extend a cordial invitation to all who are not farmers to attend these meetings, for we believe you will be highly entertained by many of our speakers.

### NEW SYSTEM TESTED.

Fire Laddies Make Good Runs in Thanksgiving Tournament.

The new Stahl-Porter fire alarm system was tested on the morning of Thanksgiving day. Results showed that the new system works admirably and that hereafter Connellsville will have an alarm system of which she can be proud. After the firemen had gathered at the hose room in City Hall, Councilman Stahl went to the power station to look after the blowing of the whistle, while Councilman Porter went up street and turned in an alarm from plug 82, near Pittsburg street and Baldwin avenue. Owing to a strong wind the whistle did not sound loudly at City Hall, and the men caught the number 82 instead of 83. They ran down Arch street to Apple and thence to Pittsburg before they got on the right course. This made a run of six squares, and the boys were at the plug in just five minutes. Another alarm was then sent in for the plug at Main street and Meadow lane. From the first plug the firemen ran to the second in 1:45. In one minute and ten seconds they were coupled and throwing water over the high corncor of the new First National Bank building, the highest building in town. The force of the water showed that good results could be obtained in fighting a fire in the upper stories of the building.

### THEY PULLED HAIR.

Two Uniontown Girls Settle Their Difficulties in Pugilistic Style.

A hundred people saw two Uniontown girls fight out an argument on the platform of the Baltimore & Ohio depot Thursday afternoon. They pulled hair, scratched, bit, clawed and landed jabs and uppercuts after the most approved fashion. The trouble started in a difference of opinion over who had the strongest claim on the affections of a certain young man. One claimed that she could produce letters written to her by the swain in question, and the other said she had been hearing from him by telephone every day.

One girl was little and one was big, but what the smaller one lacked in weight she made up in activity. After one round, continued for more than the regulation time, Patrolman Ganner called it a draw and the girls went home on the same train.

### Neighborhood Notes.

The pupils of the schools of West Unionton have been making a great effort towards the support of the county hospital at Greensburg, Pa.

Female prisoners at Cumberland Md., on Wednesday set fire to their apartment in the jail with the purpose of making their escape, but notified the jailer when the flames leaped about them.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town.  
Wear Norris & Hooper's shoes. Pattern hats at about one-half price at The Fair.

Buy your coats at 60c on the dollar at sale at The Fair.

200 fine coats, a sample line bought at 60c on the dollar now on sale at The Fair.

J. William Hankins of Uniontown spent Thanksgiving with Connellsville friends.

Dr. Mary E. Mills of Uniontown was the guest of Connellsville friends Thanksgiving Day.

You and your friends should wear Norris & Hooper's shoes for comfort, service or economy.

Owing to the backward season fine sample line of coats bought at 60c on the dollar on sale at The Fair.

Mrs. W. R. Jones of Pittsburgh is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome McCormick, West Fayette street.

A surprise party was given by the friends of Miss Mary Belle McCormick, West Fayette street, on Thursday evening.

C. E. Schmidt and wife went Thursday evening to New York City, where they will combine business with pleasure for a few days.

Many persons went without a Thanksgiving turkey, not because they could not afford but because there was a famine in Connellsville in them.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Semans and two little sons of Uniontown, passed through town this morning on their way to Washington, D. C. for a short visit.

The first real snow of the season fell yesterday and at daylight this morning the ground was covered. There has been a marked fall in the temperature in the last 48 hours.

The cells of the police station were empty this morning. This speaks well for the good order of the town on Thanksgiving. The streets were crowded with people, but little or no drunkenness was in evidence.

Postmaster General Payne has issued an order that places the ban upon matrimony in the postoffice department. He has ruled that any woman employee of his department who changes her name is not eligible to reappointment.

Dr. Frank John has been appointed city physician of McKeesport at a salary of \$300 a month. There have been many of smallpox cases lately at McKeesport and because the Board of Health refused to sign the warrants for his pay Dr. J. V. Harsha resigned the office.

His friends in Connellsville have received announcement of the marriage of George E. Brown to Miss Anna Ferguson of Casey, Ill. Mr. Brown was General Secretary of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad Y. M. C. A. in 1898. He will make his home in Decatur, Ill., after January 1, 1903.

The following pupils lead their respective rooms and grades in the New Haven public schools last month: Earl Kessler, Mary Innis, Gladie Burkholder, Roxie Truss, Anna Brooks, Elizabeth Gallagher and Lona Lepley. Elizabeth Burkholder, Sadie Turner, Nellie Penn, Beatrice Patterson, Mary Parkhill, Margaret Duffy.

The Connellsville military band helped furnish music for the big Slavic parade Thanksgiving Day. Eighteen societies were in line. Some of the uniforms are very brilliant, and the sons of Slavonia made a good appearance. The Secretary of Arch Abbott Leander of St. Vincent's officiated in the absence of the Abbott who is ill in Chicago.

The Garrett Coal Company at Garrett are driving a slope over 3,000 feet into the hill and will have their mines equipped with electric motors when these improvements are completed they will give employment to over 300 men. Alfred C. Jones of Connellsville is Superintendent. He is an old practical miner and has superintended the sinking of 18 shafts.

E. W. Horner and C. E. Reed, President and General Secretary respectively, of the Connellsville Y. M. C. A., went today to Greensburg to attend the Annual Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of the third Y. M. C. A. District of Pennsylvania, to be held from the 25th to the 30th of this month. J. M. Cecil and other members of the Association will attend during the convention.

In the "Pride of the West," Bishop and Kegger's new restaurant, there is a new mascot. This is a gigantic cat of the masculine gender, which Carl Bishop, an employee of the establishment, secured on a recent hunting trip to West Virginia. The cat weighs 12 pounds. He shows the scars of many a battle and Mr. Bishop is thinking of sending a challenge for a six round go with Andy Haas' wild cat.

Glowing in the white snow of Thanksgiving is a blood-red geranium which bloomed Thursday on the lawn of Mr. and Mrs. Cooper Patterson, Sixth street, New Haven. The plant a neglected one because of its small size, had been left out for the winter. Many have called to see the pretty flower, blooming alone in the snow. "The Last Rose of Summer" will be taken up and moved indoors now.

THIS STORE CLOSES AT 6 P. M.

DUNN'S CASH STORES.

## Longer Hours.

Commencing Monday, Dec. 1st, this store will be open every evening until 8 o'clock. That's two hours more added to each day for your Christmas shopping. Days will be none too long, either, when you stop to consider what a short time it is until Christmas is here. Pretty good time these evenings to look around and see this store and its Christmas goods.

### We're Interesting the Men Folk.

More of them coming to this store than at any previous Christmas season. And here's a secret for you women folk: lots of you are going to be glad that we've told you about this dress goods department. But here's another list for the men—making it as easy as we can for them. Best way is for you to see to it that they see this ad.

### Handkerchiefs.

Commence these at 5c and stop at \$2 each. Only excuse we have for asking you to buy now is to get a better pick of the choicest kinds. Half dozen of these, neatly boxed, makes a present that anyone would appreciate. No woman ever had enough handkerchiefs.

### Lace Curtains.

From \$2 a pair up to \$10. Two pair or 3 pair—enough for the room they're intended for—makes a present that the woman of the house would be pleased to receive.

### Merritt's Comforts.

Told you men about these before, but they'll bear a second telling. If you've not seen them you ought to, then you'll know how good and how nice they are. \$3, uncovered; \$3.50 and \$4.50, covered with silkline. Better every way you could think than down—half the price.

### Carpet Size Rugs.

Tapestry, Body Brussels, Axminster and Wilton, priced from \$15 up to \$40, and with these a new material for the floor around the rug, the best imitation of hard wood that's been produced so far. Better in many ways, too, than the real hard wood; easier put down for one thing, not near so expensive for another. 85c a square yard, and that includes the laying.

### Umbrellas.

Going to have a showing of Umbrellas here that you don't want to pass by. More Umbrellas, too, than you'll expect to see—every style and variety that's worth showing. Start them at \$1 and stop them at \$10.

### The Burnt Wood and Burnt Leather Novelties.

Monday next going to put these on display. Lots of little things to start the prices at a quarter; plenty more for 50c and then on up to \$1 and on up. That's one reason that makes it worth your while to pay this store a visit these evenings—more time, perhaps, to look around.

DUNN'S CASH STORES.

129, 131, 133 N. PITTSBURG STREET,  
CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

## Make Yourself Comfortable.

We have lately added to our large stock of footwear several of the very best brands of Shoes and below we quote a few prices to give you an idea of the many extraordinary bargains we have for you. These goods are of the present season's style and in quality are equal—and in some instances better—than most shoes sold at twice the price. Our bargains do not stop in the shoe department, but are found in every department of the store. The prices given below on various articles will convince you that our store is the real money saving store of Connellsville.

### SHOE DEPARTMENT.

Ladies' Fine Dress Shoes at 90c.  
Ladies' Fine Dress Shoes, extra quality, \$1.25.  
Ladies' Dress Shoes, military heel, strictly up-to-date, valued at \$2.50, our price \$1.90.  
Ladies' Fine Shoes, Ideal Kid, made up in latest patterns, valued at \$1.50, our price \$1.25.  
Misses' and Children's Fine Shoes from 75c to \$1.25.  
Infants' and Children's Shoes from 25 to 75c pair.  
Men's Fine Shoes, 75c to \$3.50.  
Men's Heavy Ball Shoes, tap sole, 99c pair.  
Men's Heavy Shoes, rawhide strings, large eyelets, valued at \$1.50, our price \$1.25.  
Men's Heavy Satin Calf Shoes, three double soles, slug nails, valued at \$2.25, our price \$1.75.

### GUM SHOES.

Ladies' Gum Shoes, valued at 35c, our price 25c.  
Ladies' Storm Gum Shoes, valued at 50c for 25c.  
Ladies' and Misses' Gum Shoes at 25c.  
Men's Gum Overalls, valued at 75c for 49c.  
Men's Gum Boots, valued at \$3, our price \$2.25.  
Men's Fall Boots, valued at \$2, our price \$1.50.  
Men's White Felt Boots, two buckles, valued at \$3, our price \$1.50.  
Ladies' Felt Boots, valued at \$1.50, our price 90c.

Men's Sack Rain Coats, double breasted, from \$1.49 to \$1.75.

### BLANKET DEPARTMENT.

Now is the time to buy your Winter Blankets. A cold wave is coming and you want to be prepared for it. We are prepared now to meet your needs.

Nice Gray Cotton Blankets, full 10-4 size, 65c, value 49c pair.  
All-Wool Country Blankets, red and white and black and white, 11-4 size, cheap at \$3.00, for only \$2.18 pair.

Large Size All Merino Wool Blankets, red and white and black and red, elegant value at \$3.75, only \$2.98 pair.  
Special lot of Comforts, extra well made good value at \$1.00, only 76c.

Extra well made, with lacey cover the kind you are accustomed to pay \$1.35 for, 99c.

Quilting Flannels, 10, 61, 5c yard.

Flannels—All-Wool Country Flannels in plaids, stripes and checks, worth 30c, only 20c per yard.

### GRANITE AND TINWARE.

2-quart Enamelled Tea and Coffee Pots, 5c.	16-in Galvanized Coal Buckets 29c
3-quart Enamelled Tea and Coffee Pots, 45c.	12-cup Gem Cake Pan, 17c.
3-quart Enamelled Sauce Kettle, 39c.	1-gallon Galvanized Oil Can, worth 25c, only 19c.
4-quart Enamelled Sauce Kettle, 50c.	Large Japanned Coal Fenders, with brass rods, only 98c.
10-quart Enamelled Dish Pan, 90c.	Tire Shovel, 4, 8 and 10c.
14-quart Enamelled Dish Pan, 49c.	Gold Dust, 4-pound box, 17c.
17-quart Enamelled Dish Pan, 59c.	8-ounces Lenox Soap for 25c.
21-quart Enamelled Dish Pan, 79c.	250 Pins for 1 cent.
10-inch Deep Jelly Cake Pans, 5c.	144 Shirt Buttons for 4 cents.
15-in Galvanized Coal Buckets 24c	3 kegs of Tacks for 5 cents.
	3 cakes of Ironing Wax, 3 cents.

## New York Racket Store,

C. E. SCHMITZ, Proprietor.

166 W. Main St., Connellsville.

### FELT BOOTS GUM BOOTS LEATHER BOOTS

Good heavy serviceable footwear suitable for any purpose. You'll find it's all made right, fits the foot right, and in every way will please you. You know the standard for good shoes has always been set by our store. If you need plain Rubbers or warm lined Over-shoes we have them in all sizes. Best goods.

• SOLD ON THEIR MERITS. •

### Norris & Hooper,

104 West Main Street, Connellsville, Pa.

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Having decided to close out our Furniture business at once, we can furnish your home with beautiful Furniture at cost, consisting of Bed Room, Dining Room and Kitchen Furniture, Mattresses, Chairs, Rockers, Lamps, Couches, Parlor Tables.

THERE ARE MANY EXCEPTIONAL BARGAINS.

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CHAS. C. MITCHELL, Funeral Director and Embalmer.

# HOME STUDY COURSE

Self Education Through the Medium of Specially Prepared Articles by Prominent Instructors

## Little Creatures About Our Homes

By LE ROY WELD

### I.—Ants.

HIGHEST of all the groups of the great division of the animal kingdom known as insects is the order hymenoptera, which name means "membran-winged." These insects are characterized by their thin, delicate wings, their strong, supple bodies, their powerful jaws and, commonly, a formidable sting. Most characteristic of all, however, is their very interesting habit of living together in colonies and acting in such a way as to be of service to one another.

The commonest representatives of this remarkable order are those which we call ants, bees and wasps, there being many different kinds of each. We have all become more or less familiar with the bees, and nearly every boy and girl knows that there are three kinds of bees in one living-anthill, the queen, the worker and the drone. This same fact is true of ants and wasps, there being in each case apparently three sexes. But careful investigation and patient watching of the development of the young have shown that the worker, or neuter, is really an undeveloped queen, or female, and that the conditions governing its development depend upon the wishes of the other insects and are regulated by the kind of food given to the insect or larva.

Now, some of my readers may wish to know why ants are put among the so-called "membrane winged" insects when apparently they have no wings at all. The answer to this question might be found by tearing open the nest. Should the reader do so he

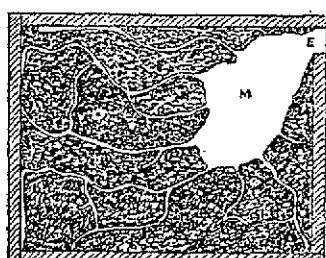


Diagram of Typical Artificial Ants' Nest.  
(Showing entrance E, main hall M and long passages.)

would find that some of the ants have wings. These are the drones or males, and they are somewhat longer than the workers. They are seldom found outside the nest. He would also find an ant much larger than the drones. This is the queen. She has wings at first and flies with them, but soon bites them off and settles down in the nest. There are several species of ants common to this country. There is the tiny red ant, not more than a tenth of an inch long, which we so often find in the sugar box. There is a larger, very common reddish brown ant, which digs its nest in our lawns, in the road or even between the cracks in the pavement or cement walk. This ant is about a quarter of an inch long, and we often find it running up and down the bark of our trees and digging its nest at their roots. Then there is a great black ant, nearly an inch long, small numbers of which are sometimes seen in the grass about the foundations of our houses or running in and out of rotten logs in the woods.

One of the most interesting and remarkable features in the life of the ants is the building, or, rather, the digging, of the nest. Men never displayed more skill in digging mines than these little creatures do in constructing their complex works underground. Each one of the colony of hundreds seems to know just what he is expected to do and just where he belongs. There are no bosses nor foremen to quarrel with, no differences in wages, no strikes nor labor unions. Each does his part and minds his own business. What a lesson to man!

The nests vary in structure according to the surroundings and according to the species. The common reddish brown ants already mentioned begin operations generally on a small open patch of ground, surrounded by grass,

there would be perpetual fighting between captor and captive. They have a much more sensible method. They go and drive another colony away from their nest and take the larvae or grubs, bring them back to their own nest and feed them there until they hatch into full grown ants. Then they make slaves of them, requiring them to do all the work for the colony and depending upon them entirely for food. The poor slaves, born in a condition of servitude, probably never know the difference. Perhaps some time a great and more powerful than his fellows will issue an emancipation proclamation, and war between colonies will ensue as a result of it! Some ants also feed and rear the aphid, a plant louse, for the sake of feeding upon a sweetish, sticky juice called "honey dew" excreted from its body. This insect is often called the "ant cow."

Strangest of all is the habit of the agricultural ant of the south, which actually cultivates a kind of grass upon which it feeds. The cultivation consists of keeping the ground clear of all other plants.

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### HOW TO REACH THE POLE.

*Explorer Peary Tells How He Thinks It Is to Be Done.*

Commander Robert E. Peary addressed the American Geological society the other night in Mendelsohn hall in New York on "The Field Work of the Peary Arctic Club, 1898-1902." In spite of the great difficulties of the undertaking and of his own failure to reach the object of his search, Mr. Peary stated confidently that the north pole can yet be reached. He said:

"The head of Smith's land is the central point from which to close this work. This is the point from which can be reached and determined that stretch of still unknown coast on the eastern coast of Greenland reaching from Cape Bismarck to Cape Parry, the point from which can be reached and determined the interior ramifications of the great fjord systems of northern Greenland; the point from which can be reached and determined the gap in the coast line between Adelie's farthest and Sverdrup's farthest, on the west coast of Grinnell Land; the point from which the stretch of practically unknown land along the eastern side of Kennedy channel can be reached, and the point from which the pole itself can and will be reached.

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The author once observed a very remarkable arrangement which a colony of ants had contrived for preventing the opening into their nest without shutting out the light. The nest had evidently been made in the ordinary way, having a low mound of earth like the crater of a tiny volcano, with the entrance to the nest in the center. Then a curious thing had been done. They had found the transparent wing of some large insect, dragged it to the nest and laid it directly over the entrance, piling dirt and small sticks in its edges to prevent it from blowing away, and had then dug a tunnel out on one side as a new entrance. This kept out the wind and dust, but lighted up the passage into the main room—a veritable skylight!

The food of ants varies with the species, but they will generally eat anything digestible. They often devour large insects or even small dead mammals or birds and are very fond of tender grubs and caterpillars. Many of them live on fruit, and many flowers are visited by ants for the nectar which they contain. Some ants come into our houses and feed upon the sweets in our pantries, as we know to our sorrow. Ants frequently carry food into their homes for future use, as will readily be seen if we sprinkle sugar or crumbs on the ground about the nest and then watch the ants.

It is oftentimes asked, What becomes of the ants during the winter, and how long do they live? In some species of insects nearly all the individuals die during the first cold weather, only a few hardy ones, with the eggs, remaining in sheltered places during the winter. With the ants the drones probably die, they being few in number and their time of usefulness being short. The queen and the workers usually survive, crawling off into some well protected refuge, as the interior of a rotten stump, where they hibernate—that is, remain in a sort of sleep or stupor brought on by the cold—during the winter. The first really warm weather of spring wakes them up, and they soon establish an active nest, where the eggs are hatched.

A most remarkable feature in the life of some ants is in their habit of keeping slaves and "live stock." They do not go and get the slave ants and retain them as captives. If they did,

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Mysteries Now Associated With His Name in  
the Public Mind, and of an Eighth,  
Which Is the Key of the Seven.

By HOWARD FIELDING

## CHAPTER VIII. MYSTERY OF THE COLLAR OF DIAMONDS (CONTINUED).

Donald turned hastily toward the house and made three attempts to open the door. I describe his action as it appeared. There was an ordinary screen door, very easy to open, but he tried three times and failed. Then he shook his head and walked across the veranda to the steps, returning immediately to the door, by which he stood for some seconds, hesitating.

"The diamonds are not in the house," said he at last.

"That's easy," said Reedy. "I've been hunting for 'em since 11 o'clock."

"It may be that that's why I feel that they're not there," returned Donald, as if gratified to receive this explanation. "You never can tell where these foolish notions come from. Have you searched outside the house?"

"Outside the house is a wide proposition," retorted Reedy. "It includes 'most everywhere. But I've looked around a bit."

Donald groaned.

"I do hate this business so like the old Harry!" he said. "But it's got to be done. Would you mind if I walk around the house? I don't know what I'm doing it for, yet I can't sit still."

He ran down the steps of the veranda, and we all followed him, as he raised no objection. In an absurd, straggling procession we made the circuit of the great old mansion.

"Well," said Reedy as we stood again before the main entrance, "did you see 'em anywhere?"

Donald shivered in the heat of the summer day.

"I've been mighty close to them," he said. "Let me try that once more."

This time he led us less than half way around, and we came to a halt beside a pile of coal that had been dumped that day before an entrance to the cellar. Kelvin is a thrifty man. He buys coal not when he needs it, but when it is cheapest. The pile may have amounted to about three tons. Donald regarded it steadily for some seconds and then walked hesitatingly toward the cellarway.

"You've been down there, Mr. Reedy?" he queried, and then suddenly and with decision he said, "The diamonds are there!"

He pointed directly toward the heap of coal.

"There?" echoed Kelvin. "In that coal? Why, the stuff wasn't brought here till this forenoon. How do you suppose the diamonds could get into it?"

Donald dashed the perspiration from his forehead with a gesture of despair.

"I don't know a blessed thing about it, Mr. Kelvin," said he, "except that they're there."

Kelvin seemed somewhat taken aback. He regarded it as perfectly obvious that the diamonds could not be hidden in the coal, which had not been delivered until after the arrival of Detective Reedy. Why had Donald committed himself to such a clear absurdity? It looked like a trick, and Kelvin glanced quickly at Reedy as if to read advice in his eyes. The detective elevated his eyebrows and his shoulders simultaneously and spread out his hands with the palms forward. It was equivalent to saying "I pass" in a game of cards.

The iron lips of our amiable host came together firmly and he settled himself upon his broad, flat feet in the manner of an orator who has reached the great, convincing argument of his discourse.

"Now, I call this a clear cut issue," said he. "We've got this thing localized, so to speak. Either those diamonds are here or they are not!"

And his head came forward as he uttered the last word with a decisive snap that would have endangered his neck if it hadn't been so thick. He was a man of ready executive ability, and the way he went to work to insure a proper inspection of that heap of coal commanded my admiration. It was removed a basketful at a time, and Kelvin saw every lump of it.

Four sturdy rooms were selected for the task, and they were subjected to a scrutiny that would have sufficed for a count of cash in the United States treasury, yet they were driven at good speed, so that the coal vanished rapidly into the cellar. Kelvin was too thrifty to put it anywhere except in the bin.

It was a warm day, and the flying coal dust stuck like glue. Kelvin, whose head was in every basket, grew blacker as the moments sped away. Perspiration rolled down from under

his hat and striped his broad face grotesquely and in ever changing patterns. Occasionally, as if dissatisfied with his war paint, he would obliterate the design with a wild sweep of his handkerchief, and a new and dicerous decoration would take its place.

I could have spent a most enjoyable hour but for my anxiety on my boy's account. As the work progressed gloom settled darker upon Donald's face than coal dust upon Kelvin's. From time to time our host would glare at Donald like some black cannibal of the south seas, and my boy would respond with a glance of mournful resignation.

At length there remained but very little coal scattered upon the ground.

One of the rooms carefully swept it into a heap. Kelvin, who had been scrutinizing it, bending forward with his grimy hands upon the knees of his gray flannel trousers, slowly straightened up.

"Well," said he in a voice thick with coal dust, "what do you say now?"

He favored Donald with a grin that had a peculiar, striped appearance, Donald's hat was on the ground, and he had wrapped his hair into a strangely tangled mass. He was biting his lips nervously.

"It occurs to me, sir," said he, "that a diamond is pure carbon crystallized and that coal is chemically the same substance in a slightly different form. It is possible that I may have been deceived by this coincidence, so—"

"Except me," said Kelvin. "Well, I'm ready to make all kinds of apologies. This thing is beyond me, I say, you," he cried, turning to Cobb in order to change the subject. "Was anybody in with you on this? Tell the truth, and we'll make it right for you."

"I was to it alone," said the man in that weary voice of the detected criminal—the voice that succeeds the high keyed excitement which prevails while there is hope or doubt. "You remember that I saw you put the things into the safe. I noticed the collar wasn't there, and so I went and got it later, just before sunrise. I knew it would be on the dressing table or the floor. It was easy enough. I was a fool to take the box, but I thought it would be handy to bury the things in. If I hadn't done that, you might not have missed the diamonds for two or three days. But I suppose Mrs. Kelvin was reminded of them by seeing that the box was gone. Why didn't I think of that? We're all fools!"

He shrugged his high shoulders.

"I won't ask you to let up on me," he continued. "Tain't any use. Take me away."

The last words were addressed to Reedy.

"Take him into the house," said Kelvin. "Keep an eye on him, of course. I'll be with you later. And now," he added, turning toward Donald, "I want to say to you—"

"Don't, Mr. Kelvin," said my boy, with tears in his eyes; "please, don't. This is more painful to me than it can possibly be to you. I want to go home and lie down—and die."

CHAPTER IX.  
MYSTERY OF THE PRINCETON PROFESSOR.

MRS. KELVIN insisted upon ordering the carriage to take us home, though it was not far enough to warrant the trouble. She overwhelmed Donald with expressions of gratitude and assurances of her great and triumphant faith in his powers.

The poor boy was dazed as if by some sudden and weighty sorrow. He repeated, "Thank you; thank you, Mrs. Kelvin," in the manner of one who receives condolences that are powerless to draw his mind away from his bereavement. While we were riding home he was unable to restrain his tears, and, being at the age when one is most ashamed of them, he knuckled his eyes diligently.

The deacon and Dorothy were on the veranda as we drove up, and Carl Archer came out of the house a moment later.

"Uncle will tell you," said Donald, evading questions and questioners with a nervous luster. "I've got to dress for dinner."

He was half way up the stairs, as I judged by his speed, before any one could utter a word to restrain him. Thus deserted by the hero of the occasion, I told my story as briefly and clearly as I could. Carl occasionally interrupted me with a question, but Dorothy and the deacon said nothing. Obviously they viewed the story in a different light.

Before I had finished Donald thrust his head between the wings of the screen door.

"Mother," he called, "can I have my dinner served in my room? I don't feel very well."

Donald turned suddenly and leaped heavily upon my shoulder, and I heard him groan. But before I could frame a question there came the voice of Reedy from the glass window.

"I've got him!" he cried, thrusting out his head. "Nobody hurt! He missed me!"

"That's Cobb's room," said Kelvin in a most peculiar voice.

Really the old fellow was nearly strangled by his amazement, as he afterward confessed. He had comprehended the situation much more quickly than I had been able to do, and he knew that Reedy had arrested Cobb, the butler, upon evidence which the detective believed to be absolutely conclusive. Indeed the pistol shot might be regarded as settling all question about the servant's guilt.

We all began to talk at once, and no one had heard any remarks except his own when Reedy appeared at the door leading his prisoner, handcuffed. Cobb was a tall, dark man of a very peculiar build, having the longest body for his height than ever I saw on a human being. Not only were his legs short, but his shoulders were abnormally high, so that, viewed from behind, with a rea-

sonably long coat on, he seemed to be sunk in the ground up to his knees.

I had marked him by the main entrance when we arrived and later upon the outskirts of the group around the coal heap, later still upon the threshold of the door through which Reedy had pursued him.

"I've had my eye on this feller," said the detective. "I seen him getting more and more worried as that coal got thinner on the ground, and finally I seen him make a break; then I knew where we stood. I found him in his room grabbing a few of his things, and among 'em was his gun, but I'm too old a bird to be caught that way; close 'em off, though."

He touched his forehead, where the skin upon one side had been slightly blackened by the flame of the pistol.

"Did you get the diamonds?" explained Mrs. Kelvin, with a woman's instinctive appreciation of the really important issue.

Reedy had a hand upon his prisoner's arm.

"They're here, eh?" he asked.

Cobb nodded. He was not looking at Reedy, but at Donald, and there was a strange mixture of superstition and of hatred in his expression.

"Burned 'em last night, I suppose; didn't dare to skip; too shrewd to hide 'em in the house when all outdoors was open to you. Is that the idea?"

"Yes," said Cobb sullenly.

Reedy drew the man toward the round black mark upon the ground where the coal had lain.

"Get one of your people to dig here," said he, tapping with his foot.

My own eyes could distinguish no sign that anything had been buried, so carefully had Cobb done his work, but Reedy had experience in such matters. In two minutes the burnt wood box had been exhumed, and the light of day flushed upon the collar of diamonds.

"Now, Mr. Kelvin," said the lady of The Elms, "I think we are all vindicated except—"

"Except me," said Kelvin. "Well, I'm ready to make all kinds of apologies. This thing is beyond me, I say, you," he cried, turning to Cobb in order to change the subject. "Was anybody in with you on this? Tell the truth, and we'll make it right for you."

"I was to it alone," said the man in that weary voice of the detected criminal—the voice that succeeds the high keyed excitement which prevails while there is hope or doubt.

Dorothy came in just then and insisted that we must go out to see the beauty of the night. She was in high spirits and thrashing with life. The moon then rising, she declared, was the most glorious that had ever risen, and we must look at it from the high gate, as we call that entrance to the grounds which is on the brow of the hill.

Douglas leaned back against the mantelpiece, with his elbows upon it, and surveyed his pretty wife, who stood there eager and impatient as a child.

"This reminds me—" he began, but Dorothy broke in upon him.

"Now, deacon, don't!" she cried.

"Don't be reminded of anything. Isn't this night good enough? Come out and see the moon."

So we all went up to the high gate together.

The following morning I met Kelvin, and we exchanged grunts, nothing more. The affair of the diamond collar seemed not to have improved his disposition nor to have altered his attitude toward me. Kelvin was beginning to be somewhat of a puzzle. There was and had been from the first a queer look in his eye that lacked an explanation. I could not account for it by anything that I knew. Indeed, it seemed to have its basis in something that he knew and I didn't. A sly and waiting look it was, a glimpse of treason, stratagem and spot's, but what it led to I was unable to guess.

For some days following the affair of the diamonds I met him frequently upon the streets of Tumbridge and always on wondering what might lie in his mind.

He and Mrs. Kelvin were plainly not in accord. The woman had taken a sudden and sincere liking for Donald. She tried to establish herself upon terms of friendly intimacy with Dorothy, and she praised Donald with so true a voice that his mother was quite won over, so that I began to hear much good of Mrs. Kelvin.

"She has wished for a son," said Dorothy. "Though she seems so superficial, she is a good mother at heart. She loves her daughter, and she would have been very proud of a boy like Donald."

It occurred to me to wonder whether she would have been proud of a boy like Kelvin, which certainly needed to be considered as among the possibilities. However, there could be no doubt of her honest admiration of Donald. She talked to me about him upon one occasion at considerable length and seemed really anxious when I said that the boy was not quite himself this summer.

"The incidents which have brought out this peculiar power of his have worried him," said I. "It is the rule with those who are so endowed."

"You don't think there can be anything else?" she said, without meeting my eye.

"What else can there be?" I asked, "unless he's in love?"

The tone in which the last words were uttered was intended to be convincing, but it made us all laugh.

"Come out here, you big stupid," said Dorothy. "We won't talk about it."

He advanced with hesitation and embarrassment. Presently we sat down to dinner, which was served out of doors in the red rays of the sunset, and throughout the meal Dorothy made good her pledge, checking every reference to the adventure of the day.

Later in the evening I had a word with Donaldson upon the subject.

"Dorothy and I have tried to talk this matter over two or three times," said he, "but it results in mutual recriminations, so we have tacitly agreed not to mention it again."

"Recriminations?" I echoed.

"She says Don inherits this from me," he replied, with a smile, "and I say that he inherits it from her. That's as far as the discussion ever goes. I don't know what she has said to Don. I haven't said anything. He'll stop of his own accord."

I knew from old experience that any attempt to draw him out upon this subject would be futile. Three minutes was the limit of time that his mind could be held upon it. So we passed to other matters, and I said that I was glad to have heard him sing with Dorothy that evening of late years he had sung so little.

"My voice is getting old and worn out," he said. "I am past my singing days."

I assured him with sincerity that their two voices had never sounded sweeter than on that very evening.

"Dorothy's is as fresh as a girl's," he replied. "To my ear, certainly, it hasn't changed at all."

"It seems to me that it has improved in the last two years," said I.

"She has used it more," said he. "A singing voice needs exercise, and after mine grew rusty Dorothy neglected her own until Archer came. She likes to sing with some one else. I wouldn't call Archer a great tenor," he added, with a smile, "but his voice has the ring of youth in it."

"Donaldson," said I somewhat impatiently, "that gray hair of yours has made a crank of you."

He walked up to a mirror and contemplated his image.

"I look like a big old weather beaten gatepost in a snowstorm," said he.

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## Our Country Correspondence.

### MOUNTAIN MATTERS.

Notes from Normalville and Other Parts of Springfield Township.

Normalville, Nov. 26.—Miss Nellie Taunehill of Scottdale was the guest of her cousins, Misses Kate and Nettie Miller, from Friday till Monday.

Gilbert & Sherrick bought the David Nicklow timber and moved their saw mill on the same Saturday to saw it out. They estimate it at 100,000 feet and paid \$100 cash for it.

Mr. and Mrs. William McLaughlin of Everson spent Saturday and Sunday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Brooks.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. George W. Prinkey, November 21st, 1902, a daughter.

George R. Eicher sold his farm of 60 acres to John Sanner for \$1,300. Possession given at once.

Mrs. James G. Showman of Connellsburg spent a few days visiting friends at her former home here.

Mr. and Mrs. William Giesinger are the proud parents of a bouncing big boy, born November 24th.

Lindley Eicher's sale last Saturday was largely attended and everything sold at fabulously high prices.

Mrs. George W. Leichliter and Mrs. Blanche Miller are both on the sick list.

The Pittsburgh papers have been making much ado over flowers blooming out doors at this time of year. While it is remarkable the beautiful weather of this fall and early winter, way up here on the mountain top the meadows and pasture fields look fully as green as in June. Flowers are no more attractive than any other time. Almost every yard has them still in full bloom. Mrs. George W. Campbell has a bed of beautiful pansies, verbena and geraniums in her yard. The pansies are unusually large and handsome and none of the flowers show the least tint of having been touched by frost. We are having the weather we should have had during the summer.

Charles Cramer and wife of Sculiton spent Sunday with relatives here.

Peter Ritenour has typhoid fever, but is improving.

The following is the program for an institute to be held at Poplar Run on Saturday, November 29th. Afternoon session, 1.30 o'clock, welcome address, Katharine Campbell; response, Amelia Fornwalt; "How to Teach Writing," Harriett Cooke; "Andrew Jackson," Maude Brooks; "Methods in Arithmetic," May Smiley; "How to Teach Reading," Vass Brooks; "John Wanamaker," Blanche Sipe; declamation, Clyde Campbell. Evening session, 7.30 P. M., essay, Amelia Marks; essay, Ida Schobert; "Spanish-American War," C. K. Brooks; "Life of Washington," Garfield Younkin; "Which is the most important and why, Civil Government or United States History?" C. H. Brooks; "Which is the greater in a man's life, graduation from the public schools or college?" J. E. Mountain; "The Correlation of Reading and Literature," Charles Swan; query box, Bern Miller.

There was a heavy fall of snow here last night.

### MILL RUN.

Brief Mention of the Happenings in Springfield Township.

Mill Run, Nov. 27.—A notable event last Saturday was the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Allen E. Harbaugh, at their home at Mill Run.

S. B. Dull and family of Connellsburg, after a pleasant visit of a few days with John S. Dull, returned to their home last Sunday.

R. V. Marietta has leased a steam saw mill of C. Stickel, located in the village, and has started operating it.

Farmers have begun to butcher hogs early, as the porkers are in fine condition.

Snow today.

Mrs. F. S. Worman, having disposed of some household effects, is going to Ohio to join with her husband in his new charge there. Rev. Worman and family are sadly missed here. The good wishes of the community follow them.

The monthly reports of our public schools are very satisfactory, and our teachers are showing their efficiency in training the minds of the young people.

### Clerical Orders for 1903.

Pursuant to its usual custom, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will issue clerical orders for the year 1903 to ordained clergymen having regular charge of churches located on or near their lines. Clergymen desiring such orders should make individual application for same on blanks furnished by the company through its agents. Applications should reach the general office of the company by December 21st, so that orders may be mailed December 31st to all clergymen entitled to receive them.

### OHIOPYLE.

Notes from the Little Mountain Resort Up the Yough.

Ohiopyle, Nov. 26.—Preparations for the Christmas entertainment in the Methodist Episcopal Church are well under way and an elaborate program is being prepared. Forty-five children are being trained by Mrs. A. A. Carrington and Mrs. Fred Felt. The choir will be in charge of A. F. Potter and good music is promised.

Mrs. Daniel Collins and Mrs. James Hagan were Connellsburg shoppers on Wednesday.

Charles Miller, who clerks in a McKeesport store, is spending a few days at his home here.

Mrs. D. McDiffitt and children, visitors to town at Fall Hill last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Williams spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sprout of Middle Ridge.

George Bryner who has been ill with typhoid fever, and was not nearly recovered as to be out, suffered a relapse and died at his home near here on Monday. Bryner leaves a wife and family of small children. He was about 35 years of age. Interment was in the cemetery at this place Wednesday afternoon. Of the many cases of fever here this fall this is the first death which has occurred.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Stickel, Bear Run, were visitors at Donora last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Christy of Connellsburg arrived in town Tuesday on their way to Farmington to attend the funeral of his half sister, Mrs. Anna Haase, who died at that place Monday of brain fever.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Smith spent several days this week with friends at Springhill.

Miss Anna Woodmansey, Mrs. A. A. Carrington and Mrs. Fred Felt were Connellsburg visitors Wednesday evening.

Miss Belle Moon spent several days in Connellsburg this week, where she is under treatment for throat trouble.

Jacob Lytle, who cut his foot badly about two months ago while cutting logs, is able to be at work again.

Mrs. Charles Hoiler is spending a few weeks with her parents at Hyndman.

### DAWSON BREVITIES.

Gossip of People Coming and Going Down the Yough.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. McGibbons are visiting friends in McKeesport this week.

J. H. Carrin was a visitor last evening.

The following were visitors in Connellsburg yesterday: Alva Cochran, Donald Porter, Earl Porter, Samuel Murphy, R. A. McLain and Rev. C. A. Wilson.

Robert Bowdon of Star Junction was in town yesterday.

Vanderbilt Council No. 104 and Dawson Council No. 75 Jr. O. C. A. M. will have a Thanksgiving sermon preached to them in the Dawson Baptist Church on next Sunday, November 30th.

E. H. Kuhn of Freedom spent Thanksgiving at his home on Griscom street extension.

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Szwartz-Firestone. Frederick Szwartz of Connellsburg and Miss Jennie Firestone of Springfield township, Fayette county, were united in marriage Wednesday, November 26th, 1902. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. H. F. King at his residence in Uniontown. The newly married couple will reside in Connellsburg.

Miners' Strike Over. The strike of the House coal miners of Johnstown came to an end Wednesday, the miners accepting an advance of ten cents a ton on all grades of coal mined.

Board of Trade Organized. A Board of Trade has been organized at South Sharon, Pa.

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Broad & Smith, Department Store, Pfeifer & Smith, Department Store, The Fair, Miller & Co., Dry Goods, B. & E. Keel, Millinery, Porter & Kurtz, Millinery.

M. J. Davidson, Grocer, W. H. Post, Grocer, J. A. Zimmerman, Grocer, J. M. Sonnenburg, Grocer, J. H. Worman, Grocer, Ira B. Friend, Grocer, Thomas S. Haven, Grocer, Anchor Grocer.

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## Business Days Until Christmas.

Buy your Christmas goods early and avoid the Holiday rushes; you will do a favor to the merchant, to the salespeople, and especially to yourself. You will find larger assortments and you will have more time for a careful selection. An early buyer has a chance to look around in the store and at the opportune moment a clerk will ask: "What can I do for you?" How different it is in the latter part of December when the customer implores the clerk: "For Heaven's sake wait on ME now; I have been here for a long while." Think of it and act accordingly.

A Predicament in Women's and Children's Coats—Not ours, but the maker's. He had only one, two or three pieces of certain kinds left. What should he do? We helped him out of his difficulty by saying: Send us your Coats; we will take them all at less than your cost price. We are able to sell them now below the wholesale price.

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The 12.50 Coats will go at 8.00

The 7.50 Coats will go at 3.98

There are only about 90 coats in all and they couldn't have timed themselves better if the weather man had forewarned them of the cold snap. We needed these coats and they came at the right moment. If YOU need a coat, come at the right moment—that's now.

Our Great Fur Sale is now going on. More than 600 pieces to select from. Prices one-third less than elsewhere.

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